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METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of January 31, 2001 to July 31, 2001.

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